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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Application No.: 10/005,907

Filed: December 7, 2001

For: **NOVEL GENES ASSOCIATED WITH
ALLERGIC HYPERSENSITIVITY AND
MAST CELL ACTIVATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows without prejudice or disclaimer:

--23. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein said nucleic acid molecule is operably linked to one or more expression control elements.

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24. (Amended) A vector comprising an isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

25. (Amended) A host cell transformed to contain the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.--

--28. (Amended) A method for producing a polypeptide comprising culturing a host cell transformed with the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 under conditions in which the protein encoded by said nucleic acid molecule is expressed.--

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--33. (Amended) An isolated antibody that binds to a polypeptide of claim 30.--

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